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Invention

Minimum Dead Volume Fitting

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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Serial No. 07/937,560) Examiner: S. Cummings
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on March 18,
1994, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Amend claim 21 as follows:

21. (Amended) A face sealing fitting comprising a gasket and at least one tubular member, said tubular member having an inner diameter and an annular sealing bead projecting from a radial end wall of said tubular member, the annular sealing bead having, in axial cross section, a rounded outer profile shaped and positioned to engage said gasket to form a high pressure seal, and a rectilinear inner profile defining an open passageway within said tubular member adjacent to said gasket, whereby any dead volume in said fitting is minimized when a sealing condition exists in said fitting. [The face seal fitting according to claim 19,] wherein said gasket has an inner beveled section defining an annular beveled surface facing toward an axis of said gasket, an outer section, and, in a relaxed condition, an inner diameter smaller

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